



EMC News

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Environmental Review Committee

The ERC met on September 23 and had three topics of discussion. The first was to make final revisions to the proposed Op Ed document on the Intermunicipal Wastewater Treatment plan. This final version will be presented to the EMC at the next meeting for its endorsement.

We discussed the Town of Ithaca Zoning DGEIS. The committee was highly favorable to this document, especially with the designation of Conservation Zones that overlapped significantly with EMC-designated UNA's. Members will recall the recent presentation to the EMC highlighting these specially zoned conservation areas.

We also considered a plan of action regarding State Bills S02996/A04884: Amendments to Agriculture and Markets law, the so-called Ecoterrorism Bills. On Thursday Sept. 25, three members of the ERC attended a public meeting in Slaterville hosted by State Senator Jim Seward. We expressed our considerable dismay about this bill and gave him a copy of it, highlighted in the most questionable areas. Senator Seward appeared to be sympathetic to our concerns.

Submitted by Steve Uzmann

Don't Forget!!
The next EMC meeting will be
Wednesday, October 8th.

Celebrate Cornell Cooperative Extension and National 4H Week!

VISIT THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE FAIR AND OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 9

4:00 – 8:00 PM

Cooperative Extension Center
615 Willow Ave., Ithaca

Stop by and talk with community and extension experts on over 20 subjects from fall gardening to fuel conservation! Whether it's home energy conservation, alternative fuels, putting the garden to bed, or managing deer, you will find an expert to advise you!

Fall workshops and events are taking place throughout the month. For more information visit www.cce.cornell.edu/tompkins or call 272-2292.

CAYUGA LAKE MONITORING CONFERENCE

Tuesday, October 14

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Wells College, Aurora, New York

The conference will provide an update of activities since the March 2002 Cayuga Lake Monitoring conference and then have time for discussion regarding what are some of the data gaps as well as how monitoring can be more efficient and effective in leading us into action. Sponsored by the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization, Cayuga Lake Watershed Network and Cornell University, there is a \$10.00 charge for the conference to cover breaks and lunch. Space is limited and reservations are required! Contact Sharon Anderson at the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network (steward@fltg.net or 532-4104) for reservations or further information.